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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING, EXTENSION OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD, AND PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING AN APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE AN AIR POLLUTION-EMITTING SOURCE

**PROPOSED ACTION:** The J. R. Simplot Company has applied to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) for a permit to construct and operate an air pollution-emitting source located in Pocatello. DEQ has reviewed the application and completed an analysis of the information submitted by the applicant for the modification of an existing Permit to Construct. Based on this analysis, DEQ has determined that requested modifications at the facility will not cause or significantly contribute to a violation of any ambient air quality standard and will not injure or unreasonably affect human or animal life or vegetation. Therefore, DEQ proposes to issue the permit to construct to J. R. Simplot Company, Pocatello.

**EXTENSION OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** Notice is further given that DEQ has extended the deadline to 5:00 p.m., MST, June 10, 2008, by which the public may submit written comments under Docket No. AQ-0810, Project No. P-060317, concerning the air quality aspects of the project application and the proposed permit in accordance with IDAPA 58.01.01.209. The application materials, the proposed permit, and Statement of Basis are available for public review on DEQ's website at <a href="http://www.deq.idaho.gov">http://www.deq.idaho.gov</a>.

Comments, requests, and questions regarding the public comment process should be directed to Faye Weber, Department of Environmental Quality, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, Idaho 83706; faye.weber@deq.idaho.gov; or on DEQ's website. Please reference the company name and docket number when sending comments or questions. All information regarding this matter, current and future, including the issuance of the final permit and Statement of Basis will be available on DEQ's website. For technical assistance on questions concerning this project or the proposed permit, please contact Carole Zundel at (208) 373-0502 or carole.zundel@deq.idaho.gov.

<u>PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE:</u> A public informational meeting to discuss the proposed permit modification for J. R. Simplot Company and a public hearing to receive public comment will be held at:

<u>Location</u>: Pocatello City Hall, 911 N. 7th Avenue, Pocatello, Idaho • Public informational meeting: May 21, 2008, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

• Public hearing: May 21, 2008, 7:30 p.m.

The hearing site will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Requests for accommodation must be made no later than five (5) days prior to the hearing. For arrangements, contact the undersigned at (208) 373-0440.

All written comments concerning this proposal must be directed to and received by the undersigned on or before 5:00 p.m. MST/MDT, June 10, 2007.

DATED this 12th day of May, 2008.

Faye Weber Air Quality Division